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Dear DOE,

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I do not support the proposed plant^{to fuzz} &/or crush mixed waste.

WIPP OFFICE # 032

The plant ~~has not been~~ does not make the waste safer than presently stored waste due to risks associated with crushing and burning radioactive and hazardous waste.

The plant does not mitigate effects of presently buried waste which is harmful to the aquifer.

The plant should not be built, owned, or operated by a foreign entity.

The plant puts the cart before the horse by crushing and burning before the WIPP specifies what it would require of the waste to meet its standards.

The plant does not adequately address the concerns and issues its construction and operation raises. It is not a clear cut answer.

—thank you, sincerely, Rick Barker

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